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MEMORANDUM FOR

SUBJECT: Special Clearances for Heads of Departments and Agencies Participating in the ARGO

Steering Committee.

Thank you for your memorandum of February 5, 1969 suggesting that certain special clearances be obtained for the Secretaries of Agriculture and Interior, and the Administrators of the Agency for International Development and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, in order to facilitate participation in the work of the interagency steering committee referred to above.

Applications for these special clearances appear to be justified and the Central Intelligence Agency is being contacted in the matter.

Also, I am interested to note your reference to the policy of obtaining pertinent support and concurrence of the Secretary of Defense and of the other officials mentioned in the second paragraph of your memorandum, with a view to insuring the observance of established security controls, and the avoidance of interference with the primary mission of the intelligence collection programs involved. I would appreciate being informed in the event that any change in this policy should be contemplated.

Henry A Kissinger

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